Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 06 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 07 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 05 Apr 2023 at 11:37 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of low cloud and showers on Thursday. High for mostly dry and settled weather on Friday and most of the weekend, but low for westward extent of any low cloud.

Headline for Thursday 06 Apr 2023: Mostly cloudy with chance of showers

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 06 Apr 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Mist	Sleet	Sleet	Hail showers	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	30%	30%	30%	40%	30%	20%

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Weather: Chance of some rain or higher summit snow for a time in the early hours across the Cairngorms. A lot of cloud through the daytime and this will bring a few showers which will fall as hail, and snow above 900 metres. Drier and somewhat brighter weather will spread from the west later in the afternoon, then mostly dry into the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%

Low cloud and visibility: Poor in areas of cloud down to 700 to 900 metres, this most persistent and extensive from mid-morning until mid-afternoon. Otherwise good visibility outwith cloud, but temporarily reducing in any snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	8/11 NW	10/13 NW	13/18 NW	16/22 NW	20/28 NW	24/34 NW	25/35 NW	23/31 NW	19/26 NW
900	6/7 W	7/8 W	10/13 NW	12/17 NW	15/22 NW	20/28 NW	18/26 NW	17/23 NW	13/18 NW
600	3/5 SW	4/7 W	5/8 SW	8/12 NW	10/16 NW	15/23 NW	11/19 NW	9/15 NW	7/12 W
300	2/6 S	2/6 NW	2/6 W	5/11 NW	9/18 NW	11/21 NW	7/16 NW	5/14 NW	3/9 W
Glen	2/6 W	2/6 W	2/9 W	5/14 NW	7/19 NW	7/20 NW	5/17 NW	4/15 NW	3/12 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	0/-3	-0/-5	-1/-7	-2/-8	-2/-9	-2/-10	-2/-10	-3/-11	-4/-11
900	3/1	3/-0	2/-2	1/-3	1/-4	1/-5	1/-5	-0/-6	-1/-6
600	5/4	5/3	4/2	4/1	4/-0	4/-1	3/-1	2/-2	1/-2
300	7/6	6/5	6/4	6/5	7/4	6/3	6/3	4/2	2/0
Glen	8/7	6/6	5/5	8/5	8/5	8/5	7/5	4/2	2/1
Freezing Level*	1400m	1300m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	900m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note cold temperatures at height, and strengthening summits winds from mid-afternoon

Forecast for Friday 07 Apr 2023
Weather: A ridge of high pressure will bring dry and sunny weather but some low cloud may develop across the eastern Cairngorms in the evening.

Maximum wind: Easterly 15 mph, but freshening on the summits after dark

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with great air clarity, although becoming hazy in the evening across the Cairngorms with some patchy cloud developing around 500 metres in the east.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 rising to 11 Celsius
At 800m: 0 rising to 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 800 rising to 1100 metres

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